Widening of roads in Trivandrum.

183. *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any idea of widening the road from the west Fort *via* Kalpalakadavu up to Shankumukam and the main road from Puthen Cutcherry up to the East Fort and

(*b*) whether there is a proposal to widen the Chalai Bazaar road?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Not yet.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know the expenditure for widening the road from the west Fort *via* Kalpalakadavu up to Shunkumukham?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I am afraid, I cannot give that information.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Is the proposal to take lands on either side of the road?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): For the main road to the East Fort Gate, the Central line has been pegged out and the new buildings that will be put up have to be set back a certain distance from that line.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Are there not buildings on the sides of the road now?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Yes.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether there are cases where sanction was disallowed for the construction of new buildings?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Yes, they have to give a written undertaking that they will remove the building without any cost to Government when they are called upon to do so.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): With regard to the Kalpalakadavu Road may I know whether there is any proposal to take lands from the southern side?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I cannot give that information now. I can show the plan of the scheme to anyone who is interested.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): With reference to answer to part (*b*) may I know whether there is any proposal to widen the Chalai Bazaar road?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): The proposal is at present with the Town Planning Expert and I do not know what he has done and is doing in the matter.

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